

SAN CARLOS REDUCED; GERMANS IN HARBOR

Kaiser's Gunboats, Panther and Ilke, Made a Successful Attack Upon Little Ven. Island Fort and Drive Garrison I. n Guns.

Revenge for Recent Repulse of the Panther in Maracaibo Harbor is Believed to Have Prompted the Bombardment.

ENTIRE VILLAGE OF SAN CARLOS HAS BEEN WIPED OUT BY FIRE.

German Gunboats Have Now Passed the Disabled Fort and Are Anchored in Lake Maracaibo, Where Venezuelan Gunboat Miranda Has Been Silenced and Captured.

Scripps-McRae Telegram.

La Guayra, Venezuela, Jan. 22.—Reports received here from Maracaibo this morning state that the attack of German warships on Fort San Carlos has been successful despite a vigorous resistance by the Venezuelans.

The gunboats Panther and Ilke, it is said, have succeeded in passing the fort and have entered Lake Maracaibo and captured the Venezuelan gunboat, Miranda. The capture of this ship and the desire to end the traffic which has been carried on with Columbia, despite the blockade were the primary objects of the bombardment. The Panther tried it alone last Saturday but was met with such fierce fire from General Bello's garrison in the fort that she was compelled to withdraw. The secondary object of the bombardment yesterday was revenge for the defeat of the Panther.

Commodore Scheder was in charge of the movement. He came up with the armored cruiser, Vineta, but laid his ship outside the bar and sent in the smaller vessels, the Panther and the Ilke, to do the bombarding at close range. The Vineta fired her big guns only. It is reported that the men in the San Carlos garrison was finally driven from their guns, the fort having been reduced and that the village of San Carlos was burned as a result of the bombardment.

The warships maintained a terrific fire, but in marksmanship was bad and it took more than three hours to reduce the little antiquated fort. An explosion of one of the ancient guns in the fort helped the Germans to victory.

CAPITAL OFFICIALS FROWN UPON ACTION OF GERMANY

It is Feared That Negotiations Looking to Settlement of Difficulties May Now be in Vain—Castro Asks Bowen to Make Protest to Allies.

Scripps-McRae Telegram.

Washington, Jan. 22.—President Castro has called the attention of Minister Bowen to the continued attacks of the German fleet upon Venezuela, and has requested that he make a protest to the allies. It is pointed out by the officials here that one of the principles of international law is that any agreement obtained by duress cannot be held binding as against the party so aggrieved. So it seems possible that Castro may, after the negotiations are completed, decline to meet his promises, setting up the justifiable plea that he made them only through intimidation. Should this happen, all that preceded would prove labor lost and it is possible the situation would become far more alarming from an American standpoint than it is so far. The action of the German commander is regarded at the state department as unwise in the extreme and it is believed it can be productive only of harm. The second attack upon the fort San Carlos reported in the morning dispatches is undoubtedly inspired by a desire of the Germans to avenge the defeat of the Panther on the former occasion, when she was said to have been forced to withdraw and a suffered loss in men and material.

REVOLUTIONISTS REPULSED IN AN ATTACK UPON CORO

Caracas, Jan. 22.—The revolutionary force under General Riera, which attacked Coro, was obliged to retreat, leaving 30 killed and 115 wounded, as well as many prisoners and a considerable amount of arms and baggage, in the hands of the government forces.

At 10 o'clock Monday morning the revolutionists under Riera, unexpectedly assumed the offensive. The government supposed General Riera was at Sabaneta, but instead he appeared outside Coro with 1,000 men, his entire command, and attacked the town from two different directions at the same time.

One rebel column succeeded in pushing nearly to the center of the town. At first the government soldiers were thrown into confusion, but as soon as

they recovered from their surprise they stood the rebel attack. The government men were commanded by Generals Hermosillo and Telleria. After an engagement, which lasted for ten hours, the fighting going on in the streets and from the houses of Coro, the revolutionists were obliged to retire.

HIS OWN SURGEON.

Massillon, O., Jan. 22.—Otto Shane, a miner, sustained a bad fracture of his leg by a fall of coal in the Klondike mine at East Greenville, the bone protruding through the flesh. Shane, who is a powerful built man, weighing 250 pounds, tore two pieces of bark from a post tied them to either side of the fractured leg with a piece of stout cord which he had in his pocket, and walked to the car which carried him to the top of the mine slope.

BRIBERY GAME TO BE UNEARTHED BY HOUSE COMMITTEE

Offer of \$5,000 Said to Have Been Made to Influence a Vote.

HOLLAND SUBMARINE BOAT AT ISSUE

Scripps-McRae Telegram.

Washington, Jan. 22.—The house today by a unanimous vote authorized the house committee on naval affairs to investigate the charge that an attempt was made to corruptly influence the legislative action of a member of congress. The name is not given nor are the details specified in the resolution. The reference is to Mr. Lessler, of New York, who stated that an offer of \$5,000 was made him to vote for an appropriation for the purpose of buying additional Holland submarine boats.

The members of the house committee on naval affairs this afternoon allowed the name of the man whom Lessler refers to in his complaint of corruption yesterday to become public. The name mentioned is that of Deputy Superintendent of Elections Doblin, of New York. According to Lessler's story to the committee, Doblin claimed to represent ex-Congressman Lemuel E. Quigg. Lessler told the committee that at a later period he had conversation with Quigg, but that there was no reference in it to any money offer, although the Holland boat question was discussed between them.

WANTED TO COME HOME

Americans Employed "Rough House" Tactics.

Scripps-McRae Telegram.

Hamburg, Jan. 22.—A disturbance, which might easily have become a tragedy, occurred at the American consulate here today. Four Americans called at the consulate and demanded money with which to return to the United States. When the demands were refused they became enraged, smashed the office furniture, cut the pictures with knives and threatened to kill the consulate staff. The police were called and the men were placed in jail.

BUILDING NEW ARMORY.

Bucyrus, O., Jan. 22.—Co. A, Eighth Ohio, will hold a four days' trades carnival in February, to assist in raising funds to build a new armory. The city has given a lot to be used as a site for the new armory.

RUMOR OF POPE LEO'S DEATH PROVEN TO BE UNFOUNDED



POPE LEO XIII.

A RUMOR of unknown origin was circulated in the French chamber of deputies yesterday that Pope Leo XIII was dead. A dispatch from Rome states that the report was without foundation. The pontiff gave a number of long audiences during the day, his callers including Senator Quirino-Costa, vice president of Argentina, and the latter's wife and family. His holiness talked with Senator Quirino-Costa for an hour and is reported to be in his usual health.

While the false report of the pontiff's death was generally discredited because it came from Paris instead of Rome his advanced age, 82, and recent conflicting accounts of his condition caused much alarm.

LORD BERESFORD VISITS AMERICA



Lord Charles Beresford, England's famous titled sailor is in this country on a visit. He comes to transact private business but while here will meet President Roosevelt and attend the Pilgrims' banquet at New York.

FOUGHT MOTHER COUNTRY "FOR FUN"

Colonel Lynch Said to Have Made This Excuse When Questioned in Transvaal.

Scripps-McRae Telegram.

London, Jan. 22.—The trial of Colonel Arthur Lynch, member-elect to parliament, who is charged with treason in having fought against the British in South Africa, was resumed this morning. The depositions of L. Handley, an American citizen were read. Handley stated that he had been commanded by the Boers and later met Lynch, who was in command of an Irish brigade. Lynch, Handley says, told him he was a British subject. When asked, why he was fighting against England, Lynch replied, "for fun." Prosecution here closed its case.

BIG JUMP IN WHEAT

Predicted by Armour—Says Price Will Soar to 95 Cents.

Scripps-McRae Telegram.

Chicago, Jan. 22.—Ninety-five cent wheat is predicted by J. Ogden Armour as a result of a big bull movement he is now engineering. When the board opened this morning he announced that he would not sell one bushel of his holdings for less than 85 cents and added significantly that before the settlement day arrived the price would be 95.

A "DAVID HARUM" HORSE TRANSACTION

Daniel Reemsnyder Says Got the Worst of It and Wants a Rebate.

E. Daniel Reemsnyder has commenced action in Justice Spiller's court to recover \$62 from Benjamin F. Reed and Ervin C. Burns on an alleged misrepresentation in the sale of a horse.

Reemsnyder bought a horse from Burns and Reed, partners in the ownership of the horse, for \$59. This animal was represented to be sound and all right, but according to Reemsnyder's statement it was not and when he returned the horse to its former owners they refused to return Reemsnyder's money or to take the animal. The plaintiff now seeks to recover the \$3 spent for the keeping of the horse from the time that he attempted to return it to the present date.

PLENTY OF FUEL

This Gas Well if It Could Only be Saved and Utilized.

Scripps-McRae Telegram.

Fortland, Ind., Jan. 22.—A flow of shale gas, estimated at four million cubic feet has been struck in a well on the Hines farm, northwest of town. The flow lifted the tools, weighing two tons until the cable knicked and threw slate 200 feet in the air.

ANXIOUS EXHIBITORS.

Scripps-McRae Telegram.

Vienna, Jan. 22.—The Austrian exhibit at the St. Louis exposition promises to be large, one hundred and sixty-seven firms have thus far announced their intention of participating. The government has offered a subvention to the Austrian section in the interest of Austrian exports.

FIGHTING OFF COAL FAMINE

Canton Manufacturers Doing Their Utmost to Keep Plants in Operation.

Pennsy's Embargo Has Not Relieved Local Situation.

SMALL SUPPLY FROM NEARBY MINES

Cleve and Axle and Malleable Works to Keep Running by Pressing Many Wagons into Service.

Although there have been no shut-downs in the local manufactories since last week the coal situation has not been bettered to a great extent and should cold weather set in the trouble would be more severe than ever. It requires the most earnest efforts and hard work on the part of the local manufacturers to get enough coal to run their plants. Very few of the factories have a stock of fuel, most of them being compelled to shift from day to day with just enough for a day's run. Although the Pennsylvania company placed an embargo on all freight except coal and coke it has not affected the local situation. It was expected that the result of the embargo would make itself felt in Canton before this but it has not done so.

No gondola cars are being loaded with anything but coal on the W. & L. E. now. Merchandise and other freight are shipped only.

In the opinion of a local coal dealer the taking off of the tariff on coal will work havoc between the operators and miners. When the miners demand an increase, as no doubt they will when their contract with the operators expires next April, they will be met with the answer that since coal has been placed on the free list and the operators are forced to meet the competition of foreign countries it is impossible to increase wages.

The Cleveland Axle works has succeeded in getting but one car of the thirty that are blockaded near Wells-ville. This factory is running with the coal that is received from neighborhood mines in wagons. It has an agent stationed at these mines to get coal as soon as it is loaded and have it brought to the city. This is an uncertain supply and liable to give out at any time.

At the Canton Malleable Iron foundry the same trouble is experienced and the only coal gotten there is from the city yards in wagons.

Enough coal has been received at the Carnahan Tin Plate and Stamping and Enameling works to keep the factory running for a short time and more coal is expected within a few days. The Canton-Akron street railway company has a supply of coal at its power house sufficient to keep the plant running for a long time and coal is being received every day.

BROWN WAS IN TOWN LAST NIGHT

Had a Roll of Bills and a Friendly "Jag"—Was Locked up for Safe Keeping.

Because he had too much money and a "jag," Thomas Brown when he awoke Thursday morning found himself in the police station. Brown was out celebrating Wednesday night and after he had downed a few highballs and cocktails he began to flash a roll of greenbacks. With him were several tough looking characters and the bartender, where he was drinking becoming solicitous of Browns welfare, called a copper and had him taken to police station for safe keeping. Brown's suspicious looking friends took leave of him when the officer made his appearance.

When searched at police station he had \$134 on his person. Thursday morning, after he had sobered up, he put up \$5 for his appearance at 7 o'clock Friday evening.